

A Hybrid Markov-Functional Model with Simultaneous Calibration to Interest Rate and FX Smile

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Pricing of Hybrid IR/FX products:

Hybrid IR/FX product = product that depends simultaneously on an (stochastic) interest rate and a (stochastic) FX rate.

Model requirements:

- Calibrates to (reproduces) market prices of European IR options for all maturities T_i and **all Strikes** K ($\hat{=}$ IR smile calibration)
- Calibrates to market prices of European FX options for all maturities T_i and **all Strikes** K ($\hat{=}$ FX smile calibration)
- Fast and Robust implementation

Proposed solution: IR/FX Markov Functional Model:

Main Features:

- Calibrates IR smile perfectly
- Calibrates FX smile perfectly
- 2D Lattice implementation (low dimensional and Markovian) \Rightarrow Fast and Robust
- Additionally calibrates Co-terminal Swaptions

Universal Pricing Theorem (general result in derivative pricing):

Under some assumptions the value $V(t)$ of a financial product at time t is given by the conditional expectation with respect to a uniquely determined measure \mathbb{N} :

$$\frac{V(t)}{N(t)} = E^{\mathbb{N}}\left[\frac{V(s)}{N(s)} \middle| \mathcal{F}_t\right] \quad \forall s < t,$$

where N is some reference product (Numeraire).

\mathbb{N} is such that for all financial products the above holds.

Markov-functional: An interest rate model is said to be Markov-Functional if there exists some numeraire pair (N, \mathbb{N}) and some real-valued stochastic process X such that:

- The process X is a **Markov** process under \mathbb{N} .
- The pure discount bond prices are of the form $P(S; t, X_t(\omega))$, $0 \leq t \leq S$ for all $S \leq \hat{T}$.
- The numeraire is a price process of the form $N(t, X_t(\omega))$

$P(t, \cdot), N(t, \cdot)$
are
Functionals.

One possible specification:

- Numeraire: $N(t, X_t(\omega)) = P(\hat{T}; t, X_t(\omega))$
- $P(S; S, \cdot) \equiv 1$
- $dX_t = \sigma^x(t) dW_t^{(1)} \quad X_0 = x_0$
 $\Rightarrow P(S; t, X_t) = N(t, X_t) E_{\mathbb{N}}\left[\frac{P(S; S, X_S)}{N(S, X_S)} \middle| \mathcal{F}_t\right]$

The Hybrid Markov-Functional Model: In addition to the single currency Markov-Functional interest rate model we introduce

- a process Y which is a Markov process under the measure \mathbb{N}
- a second Underlying as a price process, a stochastic process of the form

$$U(t, Y_t(\omega)), \quad 0 \leq t \leq \hat{T}$$

One possible specification:

- choose parameterized functional form of U
- $dY_t = \mu^y(t, X_t, Y_t) dt + \sigma^y(t) dW_t^{(2)}, \quad Y_0 = y_0$

such that: $\frac{U(t)}{N(t)} = E_{\mathbb{N}}\left[\frac{U(s)}{N(s)} \middle| \mathcal{F}_t\right] \quad \forall s > t$ (no-arbitrage condition)^a

^aThis can be satisfied by choosing the right drift of the driving process Y .

The Two-Factor Cross-Currency Model:

- stochastic domestic interest rates
- stochastic FX
- deterministic foreign interest rates

$U(T_i, Y_{T_i}) = FX(T_i, Y_{T_i}) \tilde{P}(T_n; T_i)$ where \tilde{P} denotes the deterministic price process of the foreign discount bond.

Here the no-arbitrage condition results in the following drift condition for Y :

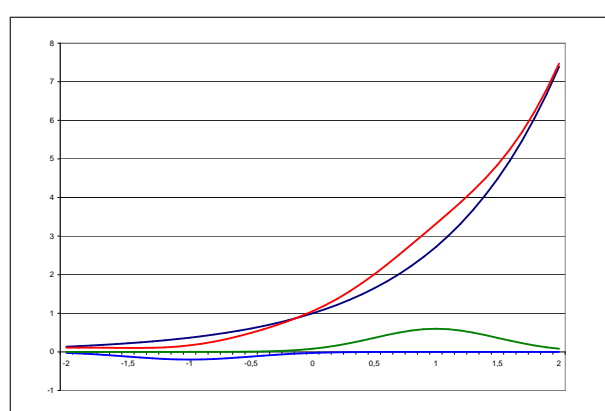
$$\frac{FX(T_i, Y_{T_i}) \tilde{P}(T_{i+1}; T_i)}{N(T_i, X_{T_i})} = E_{\mathbb{N}}\left[\frac{FX(T_{i+1}, Y_{T_{i+1}})}{N(T_{i+1}, X_{T_{i+1}})} \middle| \mathcal{F}_{T_i}\right] \quad (\text{drift condition})$$

A FX Funktional to calibrate a general FX Vol Surface:

$$\eta \rightarrow FX(T_i, \eta)$$

$$FX(T_i, \eta) = a(T_i) \cdot \exp(b(T_i) \cdot \eta) + d_1(T_i) \cdot \exp(-c_1(T_i) \cdot (\eta - m_1(T_i))^2) + d_2(T_i) \cdot \exp(-c_2(T_i) \cdot (\eta - m_2(T_i))^2)$$

m = state of the correction
 d = impact of the correction
 c = radius of the correction ($c > 0$)



The calibration parameters of the model:

First dimension (IR):

Second dimension (FX):

model entity	market entity	model entity	market entity
Numeraire functional	caplet smile	$b(t)$	ATM FX-option
$\sigma^x(t)$	Swaption prices	$d(t), m(t)$	in/out-of-the-money FX-options
		$\sigma^y(t)$	Autocorrelation of FX-products

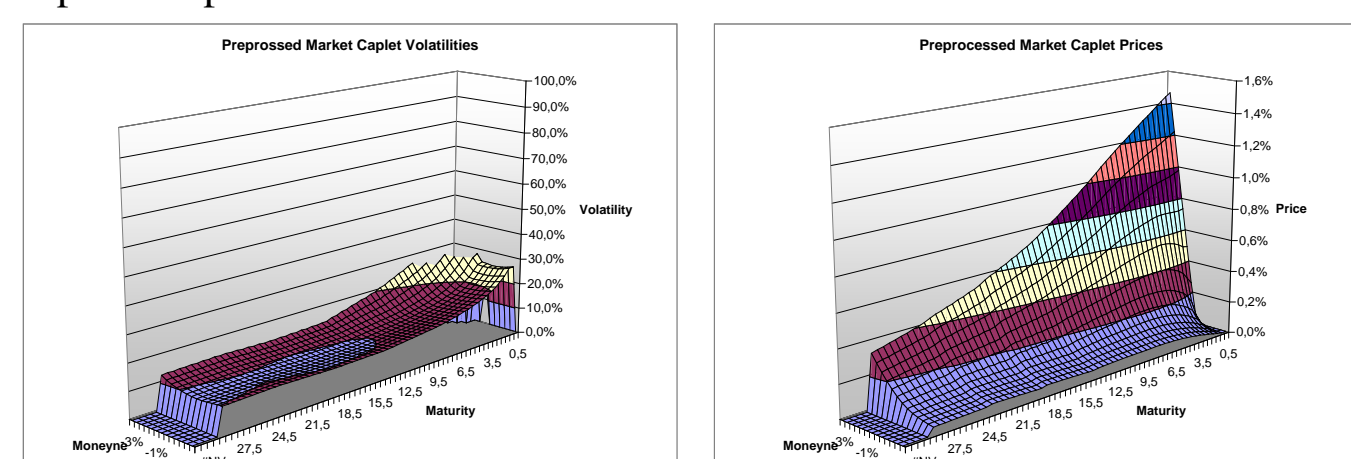
- $\mu^y(t, X_t, Y_t)$ has to solve the no-arbitrage / drift condition
- $c(t)$ stabilizes the calibration procedure

The General Calibration Procedure:

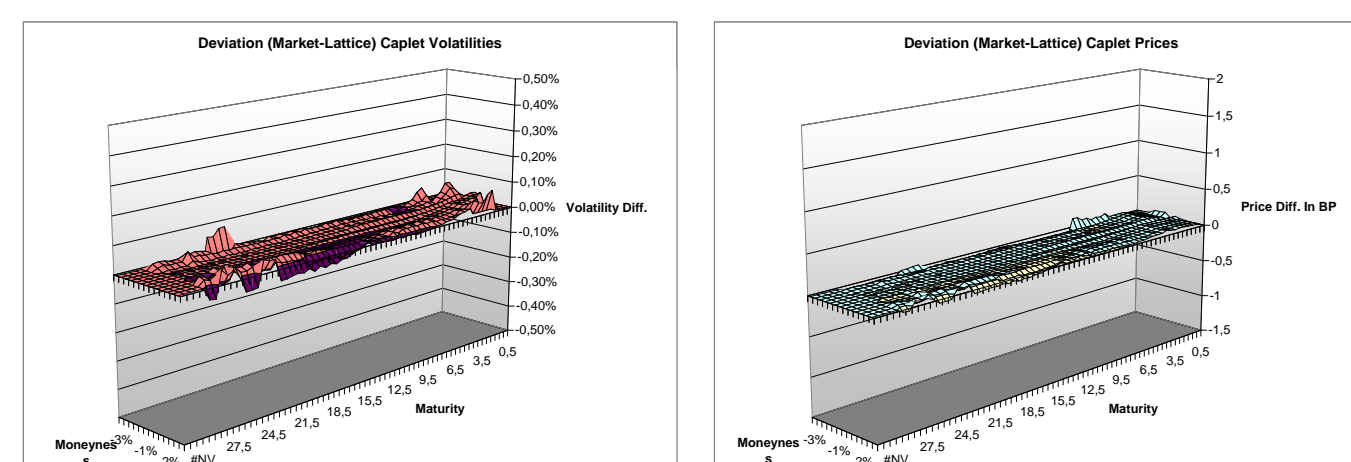
- for T_0, \dots, T_n
 - optimize the FX functional with a multi-dimensional root finder by fitting model to market prices
 - * set FX parameters
 - * solve and set corresponding drift
 - * return the error between the market and model prices of specified FX options to the solver
 - * continue the optimization until a good smile fit
 - set FX to optimum
 - go to the next time step

Model output Caplets:

(i) Caplet sample market data:

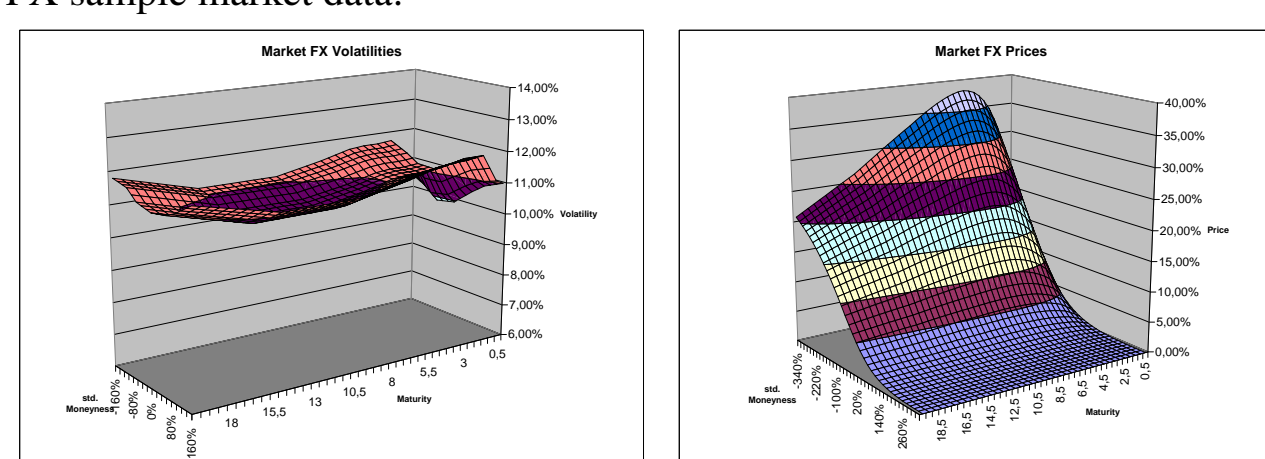


(ii) The deviation we observe in the model:

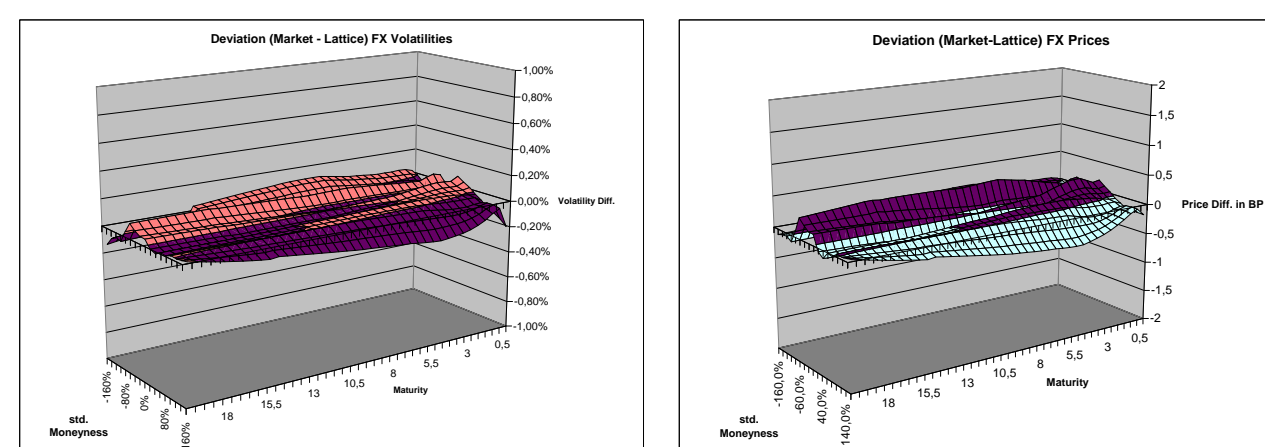


Model output FX-options:

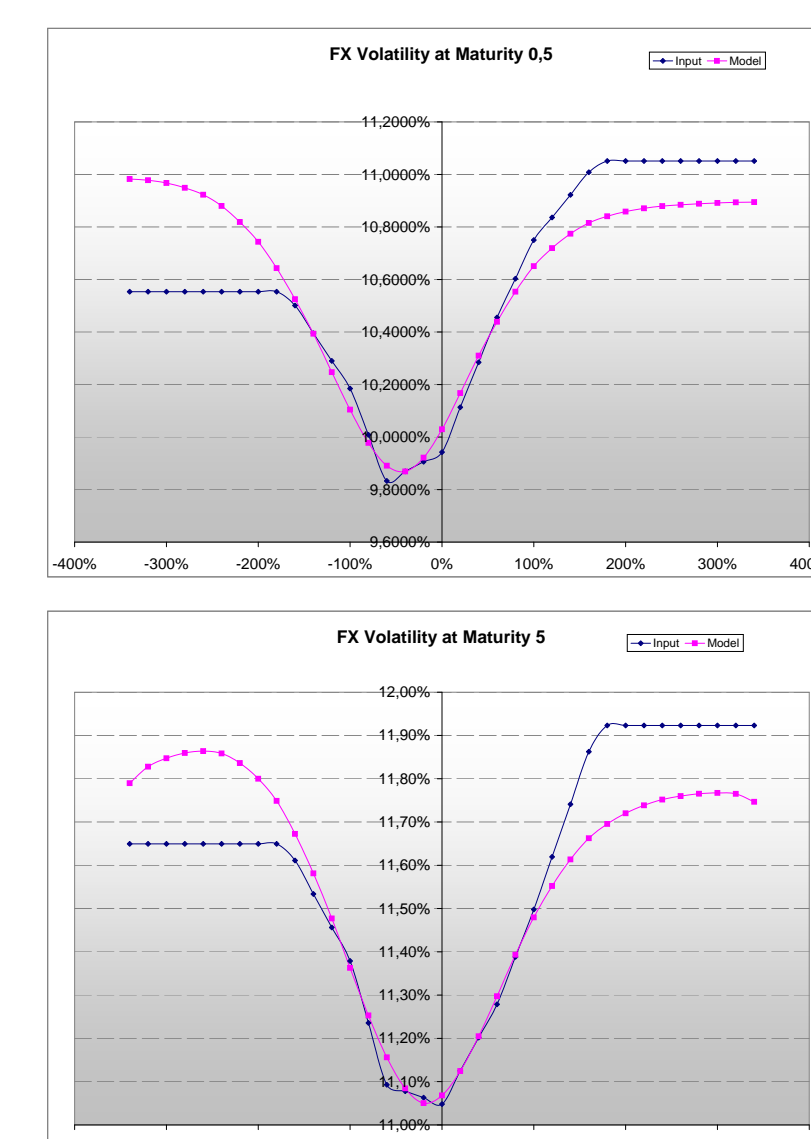
(i) FX sample market data:



(ii) The deviation we observe in the model:



Market vs. Model FX-smile:



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Objective: A Hybrid Model with Simultaneous Calibration to Interest Rate and FX Smile

Method: Two-dimensional Markov-Functional Model

Model Entities: Interest Rate (IR), FX Rate (FX), Domestic Interest Rate (IR), Foreign Interest Rate (FX)

Model Parameters: $a(t), b(t), d_1(t), d_2(t), c_1(t), c_2(t), m_1(t), m_2(t), \sigma^x(t), \sigma^y(t)$

Model Output: Caplet Prices, Swaption Prices, FX Option Prices

Model Calibration: Multi-dimensional root finder, optimization of model parameters to fit market prices

Model Validation: Comparison of model output with market data, analysis of deviations

Model Implementation: 2D Lattice implementation, fast and robust

Model Applications: Pricing of hybrid IR/FX products, risk management

Model References: Fries and Eckstaedt (2006), Fries and Eckstaedt (2007), Fries and Eckstaedt (2008)